HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 679 By DeBerry J

A RESOLUTION to commend Sunny Ashton Ricker for exemplary service as a legislative intern.

WHEREAS, each legislative session this body is pleased to recognize certain persons who have committed themselves, through their adroit service, to the betterment of the legislative process; and

WHEREAS, Sunny Ricker is one such individual who has distinguished herself in her role as a legislative intern for Representative John DeBerry; Sunny's work has resulted in innumerable benefits for the legislators she assisted and the General Assembly as a whole; and

WHEREAS, a student at East Tennessee State University, where she is highly regarded by her peers, Sunny Ricker has achieved academic success while participating in numerous extracurricular activities; and

WHEREAS, a valuable member of Alpha Lambda Delt, Phi Kappa Phi, and the Horse Creek National Ruritan Club, Ms. Ricker has ably represented her peers as a Senator in the Student Government Association; and

WHEREAS, an accomplished athlete, Sunny Ricker has played admirably on the East Tennessee State University soccer team, served as a YMCA soccer instructor, and been selected "Most Athletic" by her fellow interns; and

WHEREAS, eager to familiarize herself with the characteristics and complexity of Tennessee state government and to further her studies, Ms. Ricker brought her many abilities and singular expertise to Capitol Hill for the 2005 session of the One Hundred Fourth General Assembly; and

WHEREAS, throughout the 2005 legislative session, Sunny Ricker has surpassed all criteria that define a devoted and conscientious legislative intern; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Ricker has performed her many duties with extraordinary insight and rare decorum; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED FOURTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, that we hereby commend Sunny Ashton Ricker for outstanding service as a legislative intern for Representative John DeBerry and extend to her our best wishes for every future success.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.

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